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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPI	LICATION OF: Douwe MOLENAAR, et al.		GAU:	
SERIAL NO	:New Application		EXAMINER:	
FILED:	Herewith			
FOR:	NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES WHICH CODE	FOR THE mdhA G	ENE	
REQUEST FOR PRIORITY				
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313				
SIR:				
Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/892,867, filed June 28, 2001, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.				
☐ Full ben §119(e)		Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. <u>Date Filed</u>		
Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.				
In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:				
COUNTRY Germany	APPLICATION NU 100 32 350.2		MONTH/DAY/YEAR July 4, 2000	
Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)  are submitted herewith				
will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee				
were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/892,867 filed June 28, 2001				
☐ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number  Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.				
☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and				
☐ (B) Application Serial No.(s)				
☐ are submitted herewith				
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